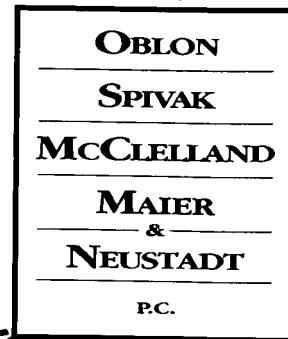




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Applicants: Toshiaki TAKEZAWA, et al.

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For: CARRIER FOR CO-CULTURING A FERTILIZED
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ANIMAL USING THE CARRIER

Group Art Unit: 1636

Examiner: MARVICH

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**Amendment and Request for Reconsideration
Substitute Specification**

Our check in the amount of **-0-** is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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In response to the Official Action mailed June 30, 2003, reconsideration is
respectfully requested in view of the following amendment and remarks:

Amendments to the Specification begins on page 2 of this response.

Amendments to the Claims begins on page 10 of this response.

Support for the Amendment begins on page 14 of this response.

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